MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SANTO DOMINGO.

Executive Order No. 522.

Title: Funds for Engraving and Printing maps of the Dominican Republic prepared by U. S. Geological Survey.

By virtue of the powers vested in the Military Government of Santo Domingo, the following Order is hereby dictated and promulgated:

There is hereby appropriated from funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($5,000.00) to cover cost of engraving and printing maps of the Dominican Republic prepared by the United States Geological Survey.

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Brigadier-General. U. S. M. C..
Acting Military Governor of Santo Domingo.

Santo Domingo City, D. R.,
Aug. 4, 1920.

(E. O. 523-526 omitted).
See Spanish text.

MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SANTO DOMINGO.

Executive Order No. 527.

Law to govern Guardas Campestres.

By virtue of the powers vested in the Military Government of Santo Domingo the following Executive Order is dictated and promulgated:

ARTICLE 1. The Law of Congress governing Guardas Campestres, dated June 26. 1907, and published in the Official Gazette No. 1957 of December 30, 1908, is hereby repealed.

ARTICLE 2.—Each land owner and any person who holds a right of usufruct, use, or benefit over a parcel of land may employ a Guarda Campestre to serve as watchman on his property.

(a).—When the extent of the property is such that one Guarda Campestre is not sufficient, additional ones may be employed with the approval of the Secretary of Interior and Police, but a post of such Guardas Campestres shall not consist of more than four members, nor shall such posts be nearer to each other than two kilometers.

(b).—The appointments of Guardas Campestres shall be made by the employer by written commission, subject to the approval of the Civil Governor of the Province in which the property is situated and shall be effective only after holder of the appointment shall have taken the oath of office before an Alcalde of the Comune.—Before entering upon the exercise of his functions, a Guarda Campestre shall present himself and exhibit his commission to the Commanding Officer of the nearest port of the Guardia Nacional Dominicana.

(c).—The appointment of a Guarda Campestre may be revoked at the pleasure of his employer or his legal representative or by the Civil Governor of the Province.—Notice of the revocation of an appointment shall be given by the Governor to the Commandant of the Guardia Nacional Dominicana.

(d).—The qualifications of a Guarda Campestre shall be those of a policeman as required by the Police Law.

ARTICLE 3.—Guardas Campestres shall not wear uniforms which may be mistaken for those of the Guardia Nacional Dominicana or other military forces or for those of the Municipal police, but shall carry a distinctive badge for exhibition when occasion may require.

ARTICLE 4. Guardas Campestres shall exercise their duties within the limits of the property confided to their custody and not elsewhere, shall have the same right and the same duties as the judicial police, and their process shall have the same authority.

(a).—They shall care for the property confided to their custody and prevent its loss, damage or destruction; shall, within their jurisdictions, prevent violation of the Laws, arrest offenders and apprehend criminals; and shall report to the Commanding Officer of the nearest Guardia post all crimes of violence and violations of Laws.

(b).—Within the limits of his Común, the Síndico Municipal is authorized to give orders and directions to the Guardas Campestres in all matters relating to their police functions.

ARTICLE 5.—As public officials, Guardas Campestres their jurisdictions, prevent violation of the Laws, arrest offenshall be subject to the provisions of Articles 184, 196, 197 and 198 of the Penal Code.

(a).—Failure or neglect by a Guarda Campestre to use his best efforts to enforce the Police Law, to apprehend criminals and to protect the property confided to his custody shall be considered "un delito" and shall be punishable upon conviction as provided in the Penal Code.

ARTICLE 6.—Any person who attempts to exercise or who exercises the police powers of a Guarda Campestre or who impersonates a Guarda Campestre without first having complied with the requirements of Paragraph (b) of Article 12 of this Law, shall upon conviction thereof be punished as prescribed in Article 197 of the Penal Code.

ARTICLE 7.—Complaints of violation of Article 4 may be made to an Alcalde, the Procurador Fiscal, or any officer of the Guardia Nacional Dominicana on duty in the locality.—If a crime is involved, the official receiving the complaint shall take action immediately.—If the official is a Guardia officer, or an Alcalde, he will conduct the preliminary investigation, and submit it to the Procurador Fiscal who will prosecute the case before the correctional court.

ARTICLE 8.—Guardas Campestres shall give assistance within the limits of their jurisdiction, to members of the Guardia Nacional Dominicana in the performance of their duty, and, when necessary shall call for assistance on the commanding officer of the nearest post of the Guardia.

ARTICLE 9.—Prosecutions for violations of this Law shall be conducted before the Courts of First Instance.

ARTICLE 10.—Executive Order No. 107, published in Official Gazette No. 2868B is repealed.—All Laws or parts of Laws in conflict with this Law are hereby repealed.

LOGAN FELAND,
Brigadier-General. U. S. M. C.,
Acting Military Governor of Santo Domingo.

Santo Domingo City, D. R.,
August 13, 1920.

See Spanish text.

(E. O. 528-531 omitted).